

**IN THE UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE DISTRICT OF DELAWARE**

GUARDIAN INDUSTRIES CORP.

Plaintiff,

v.

C.A. No.: 05-27 SLR

DELL, INC.;
GATEWAY, INC.;
ACER INC.;
ACER AMERICA CORPORATION;
AOC INTERNATIONAL;
AOC INTERNATIONAL (USA) LTD.;
AU OPTRONICS CORPORATION;
AU OPTRONICS CORPORATION AMERICA a/k/a
AU OPTRONICS AMERICA, INC.;
BENQ CORPORATION;
BENQ AMERICA CORPORATION;
CHUNGHWA PICTURE TUBES, LTD. a/k/a
CHUNGHWA PICTURE TUBES COMPANY;
TATUNG COMPANY;
TATUNG COMPANY OF AMERICA, INC.;
COMPAL ELECTRONICS, INC.;
DELTA ELECTRONICS, INC.;
DELTA PRODUCTS CORPORATION;
JEAN CO., LTD.;
LITE-ON TECHNOLOGY CORPORATION;
LITE-ON, INC. a/k/a LITEON TRADING USA, INC.;
PROVIEW INTERNATIONAL HOLDINGS, LTD.;
PROVIEW TECHNOLOGY, INC.; and
QUANTA DISPLAY, INC.

Defendants.

GUARDIAN’S REPLY TO DELL INC.’S COUNTERCLAIMS

Guardian Industries Corp. (“Guardian”) replies to the counterclaims of Dell Inc.

(“Dell”) as follows:

REPLY TO COUNTERCLAIMS

77. Admitted.

78. Admitted.

79. Guardian admits that Dell's counterclaims purport to include claims for declaratory judgment of non-infringement and invalidity and that this Court has jurisdiction over the subject matter of these particular Dell counterclaims, but denies that the counterclaims have any merit and denies that Dell is entitled to any of the relief sought in its counterclaims or Prayer. Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 79 of Dell's counterclaim.

80. Guardian admits that venue is proper in this Court.

81. Guardian admits that there exists an actual controversy between Guardian and Dell concerning infringement of the '214, '187, '065 and '588 patents. Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 81 of Dell's counterclaims.

82. Paragraph 82 of Dell's counterclaims is a request for relief, and does not state any allegation that calls for a response. Dell is not entitled to a declaration from the Court that Dell has not infringed any of the '214, '187, '065 and '588 patents, either directly, contributorily, or by inducement, or either literally or under the doctrine of equivalents. Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 82 of Dell's counterclaims.

83. Guardian admits that there exists an actual controversy between Guardian and Dell concerning the alleged invalidity of the '214, '187, '065 and '588 patents. Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 83 of Dell's counterclaims.

84. Paragraph 84 of Dell's counterclaims is a request for relief, and does not state any allegation that calls for a response. Dell is not entitled to a declaration from the Court that any of the '214, '187, '065 and '588 patents are invalid for failure to comply with the provisions of the

patent laws, 35 U.S.C. § 100 *et seq.*, including but not limited to one or more of 35 U.S.C. §§ 101, 102, 103, and/or 112. Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 84 of Dell's counterclaims.

85. Guardian denies that Dell is entitled to recover any attorneys' fees and/or costs from Guardian and denies that any of Guardian's activities provide any basis for finding in favor of Dell on the issue of whether this is an exceptional case. Guardian does contend that certain defendants' activities, including potentially Dell, provide a basis for this Court to find, in favor of Guardian, that this is an exceptional case under 35 U.S.C. § 285, and to award Guardian its attorneys' fees and its costs incurred in connection with this litigation. Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 85 of Dell's counterclaims.

86. Guardian admits that Paragraph 86 of Dell's counterclaims requests a trial by jury as to all fact issues in this lawsuit. Guardian further responds that Paragraph 86 of Dell's filing contains no allegation that necessitates any admission or denial from Guardian, nonetheless, to the extent any response is necessary, Guardian denies any and all remaining averments in Paragraph 86 of Dell's counterclaims.

WHEREFORE Guardian respectfully submits that Dell's counterclaims should be dismissed, with costs assessed against Dell, and seeks such further relief as the Court deems appropriate.

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